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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jorge Garcia-Martinez, DOB 9/11/57, of St. Paul, Minnesota, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to five years in prison, to be followed by a three-year term of supervised release, for possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute. Garcia-Martinez pleaded guilty to this charge on April 25, 2006.

On July 29, 2005, officers from the West Central Drug Task Force executed a search warrant at Garcia-Martinez's residence in Gilman, Wisconsin, and recovered nine baggies containing 28 grams of methamphetamine, along with two digital scales.

The charges against the defendant were the result of an investigation conducted by the West Central Drug Task Force, the Gilman Police Department, and the Taylor County Sheriff's Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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